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## 'WOODY' TO RUN IN ROAD RACE

### NOTES and STUFF

Small world department... Ed Logue was in New York on his honeymoon and as he got off the elevator in the Empire State Building on the 121st floor, he ran into fellow PJCor Bruce Nera.

April 26 is to be the date of the annual Work Day. If the weather is poor on the 26th, Work Day will be held on the 28th, Dean Bonney announced yesterday.

Congratulations to Eddy Logue on his recent marriage.

We hear that a certain group of rascals are thinking about a week-end at a certain camp. Keep em busy Al. Get all that wood cut.

Joe Murphy is also in the road race held by the JRC. Good luck to you too, Joe.

We note that the tables are not being kept clean in the cafeteria.

Joe Murray wants everyone to drink lots of water so that the ice will go out of Sebago Lake so that he can go fishing. Be patient, Joe. A fishing trip is being planned, if interested, see Joe Murray.

It's still clean up the talk time on campus.

Smile and say hello when you pass a fellow student.

## PAPER DRIVE TO RAISE \$\$

In an effort to supplement the depleted activities fund, plans are underway to hold a newspaper collection drive. Drivers of cars can be of help to this extent. On Monday, Apr. 18th, students who drive to school are asked to ~~bring~~ bring one bundle of old newspapers. During the rest of the week, riders are requested to bring old newspapers, or to inform Bill O'Gara, Tom Merrill, or Norm Pierce where paper can be picked up. The next Saturday, volunteers will collect the paper. Proceeds from this drive will allow the students to have a fuller program and will also provide funds to supplement the Senior graduation activities. You are URGED to support this drive to the fullest extent.

Any student who is able to provide a truck to assist in the paper drive is requested to see Bill O'Gara.

By NORMAN F. PIERCE

One of our more stalwart in-

dividuals-about-campus has recently been engrossed in extensive physical training. F.H. Woodworth, better known to his loyal fans as "Woody", is gathering all his powers to compete in the traditional Patriots Day marathon, an annual five-mile road race held here in Portland.

"Woody" revealed that he will run the race course several times before the day of the competition, in order to be familiar with the route. (puff puff)

(ED. The staff of the JRAC wish "Woody" all the luck in the game and we hope that he wins the cup thus bringing a measure of fame to Portland Junior College.)



# ♦ Editorials ♦

## RAC

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### YELLOW JOURNALISM

Throughout the history of American Journalism there have been instances of publications that adhere to the principles of what has been labeled "Yellow Journalism." The primary purpose of Yellow Journalism, according to the individuals who inaugurated it, was in every case a stratagem to increase the circulation of the indulging publication. One prominent publisher, James Gordon Bennett who was once the greatest exponent of this low-class journalism, was faced with the failure of his newspaper by brother publications. In the face of moral indignation, Bennett altered the form of his paper and found that his high circulation built up during the era of indiscriminate news release, maintained its distribution.

This is conclusive proof that there is no need for yellow Journalism. Portland Junior College students have recently been subjected to a low form of this Yellow Journalism. For that purpose the editors of the NEWSANCE do not need to worry about circulation. Their purpose

should be to inform the students of current events on campus, printing the news that has characterized the year. This has lately certainly does not fulfill these criteria.

We ask again... that is the purpose of the NEWSANCE. Editors of the paper have defended their action by stating that publications of the sort have always been found in some of the leading colleges in the nation. We would like to know if Smith & Co. believe that this fact is one that the Boards of Directors of these afflicted colleges are proud of. Do you expect friends of JJC to believe that this college is one of high standards? Do you students expect favorable opinion will be derived by the examples set forward by the NEWSANCE? What is the standard of propriety of Portland Junior College. Are we content to be labeled students of low character?

If it is definitely established that the NEWSANCE is the "Voice of the Students", then let it be said that if the NEWSANCE is an indication of the trend of thought that is present in the mind of the student body, then the NEWSANCE and the RAC would like to publicly state that we hope there are other colleges in the country that have a higher standard of ethics and that there are other people in the nation who are more interested in events of importance.

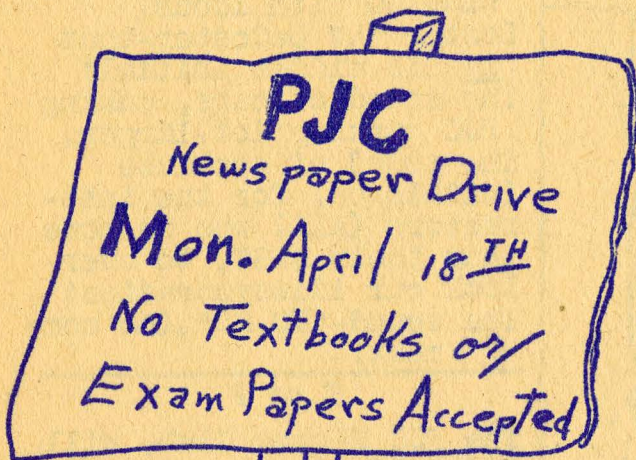
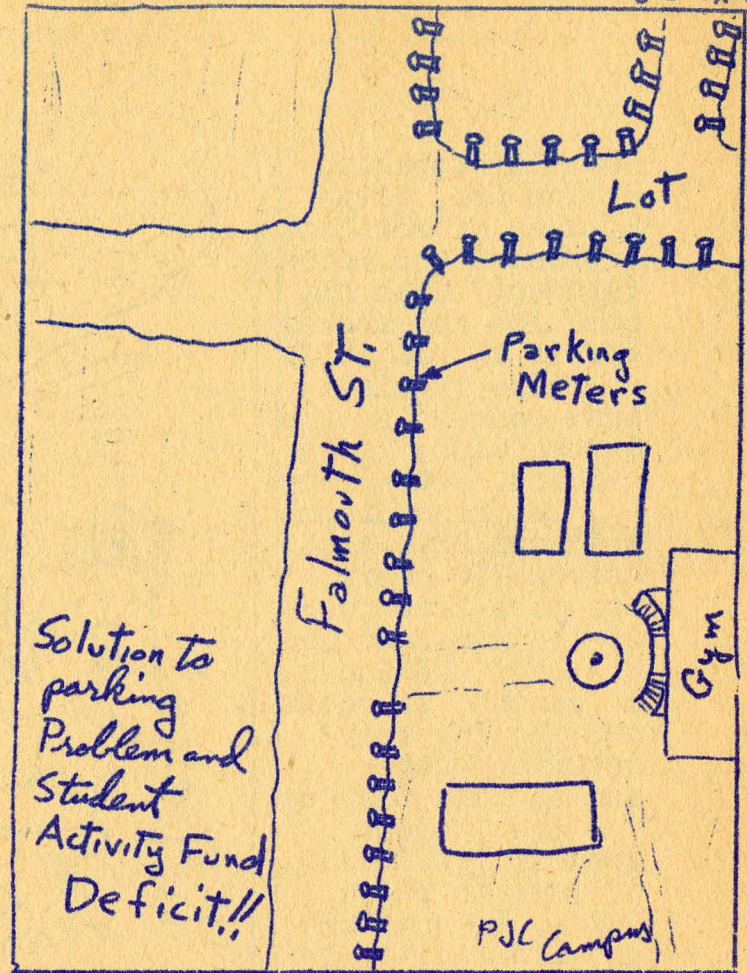
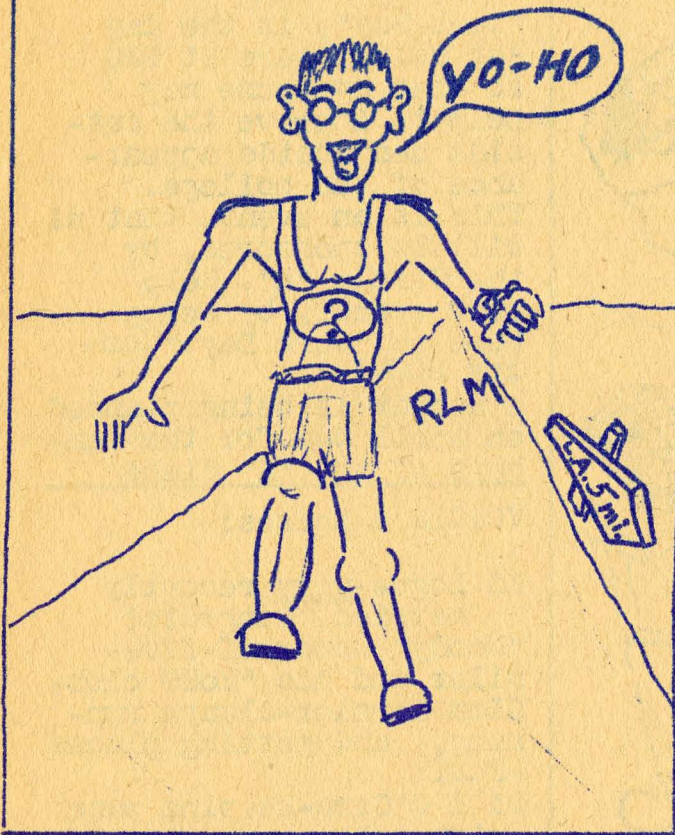
THE CONSTITUTION OF THE UNITED STATES guarantees freedom of the press. JJC authorities have long observed that taste and ethical considerations are not part of the First Amendment. They have stepped the bounds of that freedom. That freedom does not allow for the use of certain words in bad taste but they violate the ethics of journalism and to use them in a campus publication is to insult the intelligence of the students.

By now the reader must realize that we are referring to the last issue of the NEWSANCE in which 3 instances of words in bad taste appeared. The RAC is not advocating a return to barbarism or the like. We don't feel that we are being pedantic to denounce the NEWSANCE for this violation of propriety. We also have heard the words in question but they didn't meet they should be in print. Lives, parents and friends read the papers that students have made. That kind of impression will they get of the school especially since the NEWSANCE now has as its motto, "The Voice of the Students". Is it really the voice of the students? If it is, then the students better shut up.

In the past few weeks, the RAC has had a "Clean up the talk" campaign in cooperation with a few of the instructors. Comes along the NEWSANCE and undoes all the good that may have been accomplished. Is that cooperation. We think not. So what say, editors of the NEWSANCE? Clean up your vile talk and your suggestive, plagiaristic cartoons before you bring some kind of censorship down on all the publications here at Portland Junior College.



# PJC's 5-Miler



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## HEAR and THERE:

Assembly speaker, Julian Orr, City-manager of Portland impressed the bodies (student) with his question and answer affair in PJC AUDIT.

"The inquisition" concerning the Camera Club, is in motion. Note\*Prexy.

Leighton Brown and Norm Shaw-two astute PJC-goers, are part-time doers of the new Ford Co.

Many sad faces, on campus, of goers who thought they deverved better ranks, than they got.

The Student council is THINKING of ways to raise funds, to supplement a (deficit?) in the "Activity Fund".

Mr. Keenan and "Summer jobs", he is thee rarn to zee.

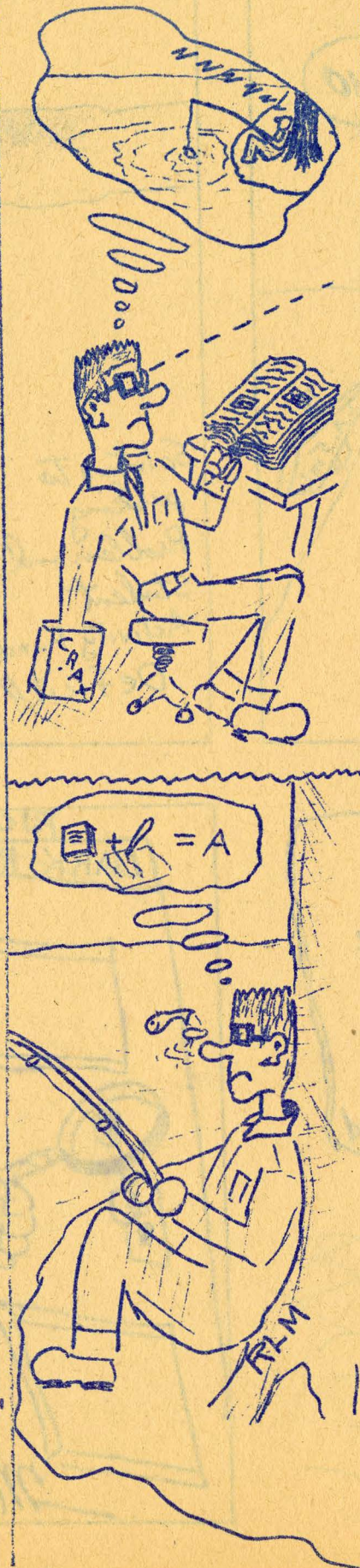
Golf-time is here. Get with the groups who chase the little white sphere over the green.

"Woody" Woodruff is the most outstanding contender, from PJC, to enter the 5-mile Marathon. Watch for this feature event!

Voted to be the most useless piece of equipment on campus, ----the suggestion box!

The "VETERANS BONUS?" is NOT a form of "freeloading" according to some of the more DEMOCRATIC States.

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## CIRCLE "K" !!

"Work Day", is the day set aside, here at PJC so that everyone may help to improve the outside and inside appearance of the college. This is an event, that will be sponsored, by the Circle "K". Help your school, by being here on "Work Day!" Coming SOON!

A supper is being planned on April 26, for the members of the "K" club!

## VOICES &amp; Noises:

Ed Logue-very recently married. Congrats!

"Woody" Woodruff-five-miler and his "YoHO" club. Clem Bernier-always running, and getting places -FAST!

Bill O'Gara-keeping pace with college events, also LEADING with ideas.

Lester "A" DeCoster-that is his middle initial! The sound of cars, making PJC parking lot, larger. The sound of applause (within us) for the instructors (ALL) who do more than their BEST, to overlook our idiosyncrasies! The sound-"YO-HO", (no comment).

## T or F

The PJC Flower Club, will NOT hold its sesquicentennial meeting tonight. The LONGHEAD Club, is looking for bargains in headcuts.

A member of PJC had a swimming pool built in his yard, so that he'd have a place to raise WATER-Spaniels.

Supererogate is practised by most of the students?

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